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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION ON KISSINGER'S M.E. TOUR

1. SUDAN NEWS AGENCY (SUNA), RADIO OMDURMAN, AL-SAHAFI, AL-AYAM AND SUDAN T.V. GAVE PROMINENT PUBLICITY TO DR. KISSINGER'S CURRENT M.E./EUROPE TOUR.

2. AL-AYAM ARABIC DAILY PUBLISHED SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 IN ITS "POLITICAL DAIRY" AN ARTICLE BY ITS FOREIGN NEWS COMMENTATOR AL SIR HASSAN FADUL WHO SAID KISSINGER'S STEP-BY-STEP DIPLOMACY WHICH SUCCEEDED IN ITS FIRST STAGES IS NOW CONFRONTING DIFFICULTIES PARTICULARLY AFTER "U.S. THREATS WHICH WERE DELIVERED BY KISSINGER HIMSELF TO OCCUPY SOME ARAB PRODUCING NATIONS, IF EMBARGO IS IMPOSED ON OIL IN THE CASE OF A NEW WAR."

3. IBN KHALDOUM COMMENTED IN AL SAHAFI SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9 ON KISSINGERS' M.E. PEACE EFFORTS: "THE STEP-BY-STEP SETTLEMENT IN THE M.E. HAS REACHED A CLOSED ROAD. THERE IS AN URGENT DEMAND NOW FOR A SOLUTION WHICH HANDLES THE ROOTS OF THE
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PROBLEM. THE SETTLEMENT OF THE M.E. CONFLICT IS

CONNECTED WITH PETROL. THE RESUMPTION OF WAR
MEANS IMPOSING EMBARGO ON OIL TO THE WEST....
CONSEQUENTLY, STRANGULATION OF WESTERN ECONOMY
WILL HAPPEN. THIS IS THE CONDITION MADE BY THE
U.S. FOR MILITARY INTERVENTION TO GUARANTEE THE
FLOW OF OIL OR ISRAEL'S SECURITY."
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